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International Patent Classification (8th edition unless older edition indicated) See relevant information in Form PCT/ISA/237			
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	Box No. V	Reasoned statement under Article 35(2) with regard to novelty, inventive step or industrial applicability; citations and explanations supporting such statement		
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International application No. PCT/GB2004/005110	International filing date (c 06.12.2004	day/month/year)	Priority date (day/month/year) 12.12.2003
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1.	This opinion contains indications relating to the following items:			
	⊠ Box No. I	Basis of the opinion		
	☑ Box No. II	Priority		
	☑ Box No. III	Non-establishment of opinion with regard to novelty, inventive step and industrial applicability		
	☐ Box No. IV	Lack of unity of invention		
	⊠ Box No. V	Reasoned statement under Rule 43bis.1(a)(i) with regard to novelty, inventive step or industrial applicability; citations and explanations supporting such statement		
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2.	FURTHER ACTI	ON		

If a demand for international preliminary examination is made, this opinion will usually be considered to be a written opinion of the International Preliminary Examining Authority ("IPEA"). However, this does not apply where the applicant chooses an Authority other than this one to be the IPEA and the chosen IPEA has notifed the International Bureau under Rule 66.1 bis(b) that written opinions of this International Searching Authority will not be so considered.

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	Box I	No. I	Basis of the opinion	
1.	With the la	regard Inguag	to the language , this opinion has been established on the basis of the international application in e in which it was filed, unless otherwise indicated under this item.	
	la	angua	olinion has been established on the basis of a translation from the original language into the following ge , which is the language of a translation furnished for the purposes of international search Rules 12.3 and 23.1(b)).	
2.	With regard to any nucleotide and/or amino acid sequence disclosed in the international application and necessary to the claimed invention, this opinion has been established on the basis of:			
	a. typ	e of m	naterial:	
		a se	equence listing	
		tabl	e(s) related to the sequence listing	
	b. for	mat of	material:	
		l in w	vritten format	
		l in c	omputer readable form	
	c. tim	ne of fi	ling/furnishing:	
		l cor	stained in the international application as filed.	
] file	d together with the international application in computer readable form.	
] furi	nished subsequently to this Authority for the purposes of search.	
3.		has be copies	ition, in the case that more than one version or copy of a sequence listing and/or table relating thereto sen filed or furnished, the required statements that the information in the subsequent or additional is identical to that in the application as filed or does not go beyond the application as filed, as oriate, were furnished.	
4.	Addi	itional	comments:	
_	Вох	No. II	Priority	
1		does i	alidity of the priority claim has not been considered because the International Searching Authority not have in its possession a copy of the earlier application whose priority has been claimed or, where ed, a translation of that earlier application. This opinion has nevertheless been established on the option that the relevant date (Rules 43bis.1 and 64.1) is the claimed priority date.	
2		has be	pinion has been established as if no priority had been claimed due to the fact that the priority claim een found invalid (Rules 43 <i>bis</i> .1 and 64.1). Thus for the purposes of this opinion, the international date indicated above is considered to be the relevant date.	
3	. Add	itional	observations, if necessary:	

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Box No. III Non-establishment of opinion with regard to novelty, inventive step and industrial applicability				
The obv	questions whether the claimed i ious), or to be industrially applica	nven ble h	tion appears to be novel, to involve an inventive step (to be non nave not been examined in respect of:	
	the entire international application,			
\boxtimes	claims Nos. 16			
bec	ause:			
	the said international application, or the said claims Nos. relate to the following subject matter which does not require an international preliminary examination (specify):			
⊠	the description, claims or drawings (indicate particular elements below) or said claims Nos. 16 are so unclear that no meaningful opinion could be formed (specify):			
	see separate sheet			
	the claims, or said claims Nos. are so inadequately supported by the description that no meaningful opinion could be formed.			
	no international search report has been established for the whole application or for said claims Nos.			
	the nucleotide and/or amino acid sequence listing does not comply with the standard provided for in Annex C of the Administrative Instructions in that:			
	the written form		has not been furnished	
			does not comply with the standard	
	the computer readable form		has not been furnished	
			does not comply with the standard	
	the tables related to the nucleo not comply with the technical re	tide a equire	and/or amino acid sequence listing, if in computer readable form only, do ements provided for in Annex C- <i>bis</i> of the Administrative Instructions.	
	See separate sheet for further	detai	is	

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Box No. V Reasoned statement under Rule 43bis.1(a)(i) with regard to novelty, inventive step or industrial applicability; citations and explanations supporting such statement

1. Statement

Novelty (N)

Yes: Claims

1-15

No: Claims

Inventive step (IS)

Yes: Claims

Claims

No:

1-15

Industrial applicability (IA)

Yes: Claims

1-15

No: Claims

2. Citations and explanations

see separate sheet

Box No. VIII Certain observations on the international application

The following observations on the clarity of the claims, description, and drawings or on the question whether the claims are fully supported by the description, are made:

see separate sheet

Re Item III.

1. Claim 16 does not meet the requirements of Rule 6.2(a) PCT.

Re Item V.

1. Reference is made to the following documents:

D1: US 5 400 095 A D2: US 5 442 415 A D3: US 5 944 403 A D4: US 4 470 647 A

None of the available prior art documents discloses or suggests a projection device
with a cube-shaped housing made up of six substantially identical interlocking panels,
with an hinged, reflective top panel for deflecting the projection beam as specifies in
the independent claims 1 and 15.

The closest prior art appears to be represented by **D1**, disclosing a projector (fig. 1) with a hinged deflecting mirror 40 which can be closed for transportation (column 4, lines 57-61). This document does not provide any suggestion towards a housing made up of identical modular panels.

D4 discloses a storage box made up of identical modular panels (see fig. 4). However, **D4** does not suggest to use such a storage box as a housing for an image projector.

The other claims are dependent ones and define more detailed embodiments.

Therefore, the conditions of Art. 33 PCT appear to be met.

Re Item VIII.

 Claims 1 and 15 are two independent claims of the same category and defining essentially the same subject-matter. Hence the requirement of conciseness of Art. 6

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